

U.S. Comments on Draft Texts of the Code Chapter 2.4.9 (Ovine Pulmonary Adenomatosis) of the OIE *International Animal Health Code*

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We have reviewed the proposed draft Code Chapter on Ovine Pulmonary Adenomatosis (OPA) and would like to submit the following comments:

Note: Any suggested deletions are shown as “~~strike-outs~~” and any new suggested wording is indicated in **bold**:

While we agree that OPA can be a significant disease, we are not yet convinced that sufficient information is known about the epidemiology and behavior of the agent, and its diagnosis. That said, however, the proposed Chapter would be a welcome addition to the Code.

Article 2.4.9.4

Suggested change: Add a point 3) for sheep for slaughter as follows:

- 1)
- 2)
- 3) **are properly identified to facilitate traceback to the country of origin.**

Thank you for considering our comments and for the opportunity to review this Chapter.

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